## **State of South Dakota**

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1019

Introduced by: Representatives Lucas, Deadrick, and Lange and Senators Kloucek, Ahlers, and Hundstad

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging South Dakota school districts and the South Dakota
2	High School Activities Association to reexamine travel policies for high school athletic
3	activities.
4	WHEREAS, the South Dakota High School Activities Association conducts state
5	competitions for seven different categories of boys' athletics, including Class AA, A, and B
6	boys' basketball, track, golf, and cross country championships; Class A and B wrestling
7	championships, including thirteen separate weight-class championships; six classes of football
8	championships; and individual and team tennis championships; and
9	WHEREAS, the South Dakota High School Activities Association conducts state
10	competitions for nine different categories of girls'athletics, including Class AA, A, and B girls
11	basketball, track, golf, cross country, and volleyball championships; Class AA and A gymnastics
12	team championships; individual and team tennis championships, and dance and cheer
13	competition championships; and
14	WHEREAS, these high school activities play a positive role in the education and
15	development of young adults, and the South Dakota Legislature supports participation in these

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- activities for the benefit of youth, parents, and fans across the state; and
- 2 WHEREAS, in this time of economic downturn, it is necessary to examine the expenditures
- 3 made for transportation, lodging, and meals, and to look for ways in which those expenses might
- 4 be reduced while attending athletic competitions throughout the State of South Dakota; and
- 5 WHEREAS, traveling to competitions outside of a team's district or region may involve
- 6 unnecessary travel expenses and may take participating students out of the classroom for
- 7 excessive amounts of time:

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- 8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-
- 9 fourth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South
- 10 Dakota Legislature urges all South Dakota school districts and the South Dakota High School
- Activities Association to reexamine travel policies for high school athletic activities.